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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR §1.116

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed October 1, 2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows. No additional search or examination is necessitated by the amendments, nor is any substantial amount of additional work required on the part of the Patent Office or the Examiner.

In the Claims

Please cancel claims 1-3, 5, 7, and 82, without prejudice, and amend claims 83 and 84. The amended claims are provided below in clean form. Per 37 C.F.R. §1.121, amended claims are shown in Appendix A with notations to indicate changes made (for convenience, all pending claims, are provided in Appendix A).

- 83. (Amended) A vector comprising DNA according to claim 72.
- 84. (Amended) A vector comprising DNA according to claim 59.